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Subj: Inspection Report

Hatch Farm – Bernies Farm

From: Andrew Spejewski

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To: File

I. Facility Information

A. Facility Name: Hatch Farm – Bernies Farm

B. Facility Location: 872 Webster Road

Ferrisburgh, VT 05456

C. Facility Contacts: Jason Hatch, Owner and Operator

(802) 349-9687

D. NPDES ID Number: N/A

II. Background Information

A. Date and time of inspection:

Facility entrance: July 18, 2017, 11:30 AM Facility exit: July 18, 2017, 12:00 noon

B. Weather Conditions: Clear, Dry (severe rain in previous days)

C. US EPA Representative(s): Andrew Spejewski

D. State/Local Representative(s): Chip Giagnafo

E. Federally Enforceable Requirements Covered During the Inspection:

CAFO permit

F. Previous Enforcement Actions:

None known

III. Type and Purpose of Inspection

Assess whether a CAFO permit is required

IV. Facility Description

The facility lies on either side of Webster road, with feed bunker to the southeast of the road, and the barn buildings to the northwest, with a manure pit farther northwest.

According to MH, mortalities are composted at the Hatch Main Farm.

V. Inspection

Mr. Spejewski and Mr. Giagnafo arrived with Mr, Hatch after touring the Hatch Main Farm (see separate inspection report).

The feed bunkers were located southwest of the road, with the terrain sloping gently down to the road and then to the north. Drainage from the bunkers was partially retained by low berms and then flowed into a ditch that ran under Webster road to the north. There was no observed flow in the ditch at the time of the inspection, though there was pooled leachate in front of the bunkers.

The ditch then appeared to run north alongside fields. Mr. Hatch stated he was unsure of its eventual destination.

The barn had a shed on one side that appeared to have the sump for an under-floor drainage system. The manure pit was below-ground to the north. No signs of overflow could be seen and it had at least a foot of freeboard.

A small cattle yard near the pit appeared to drain through heavily vegetated area near the pit; no signs of channelized flow could be seen.

The group then left for Hatch Tisbert Farm.

Picture List:	
IMG_1463.JPG	Facing E past feed bunkers
IMG_1464.JPG	drainage W of building
IMG_1465.JPG	Facing SE to feed bunkers over road
IMG_1466.JPG	building draingage
IMG_1467.JPG	building drainage on E side
IMG_1468.JPG	manure pit
IMG_1469.JPG	pasture area
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